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Mr. John Joyce  
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Dear John:

On June 15, 2006, I conducted an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Lakehurst Naval Engineering Center. Approximately 42.7 acres of light defoliation (30-50%) and 39.7 acres of heavy defoliation (51-100%) were detected on site. Only 1 acre of light defoliation was detected within the 2006 gypsy moth treatment areas that encompassed 392 acres. The treatment areas and the defoliation are depicted in Figure 1. For your information, I have also enclosed the results of the aerial detection survey conducted at the nearby Federal properties of Fort Dix and McGuire Air Force Base (Figure 2).

We will be conducting gypsy moth egg mass surveys at Lakehurst Naval Engineering Center this fall. We will coordinate this survey with you.

Please contact me at (304) 285-1555 if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey or survey letter.

Sincerely,

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Figure 1-- Results of the aerial detection survey conducted at Lakehurst NAS on June 15, 2006.

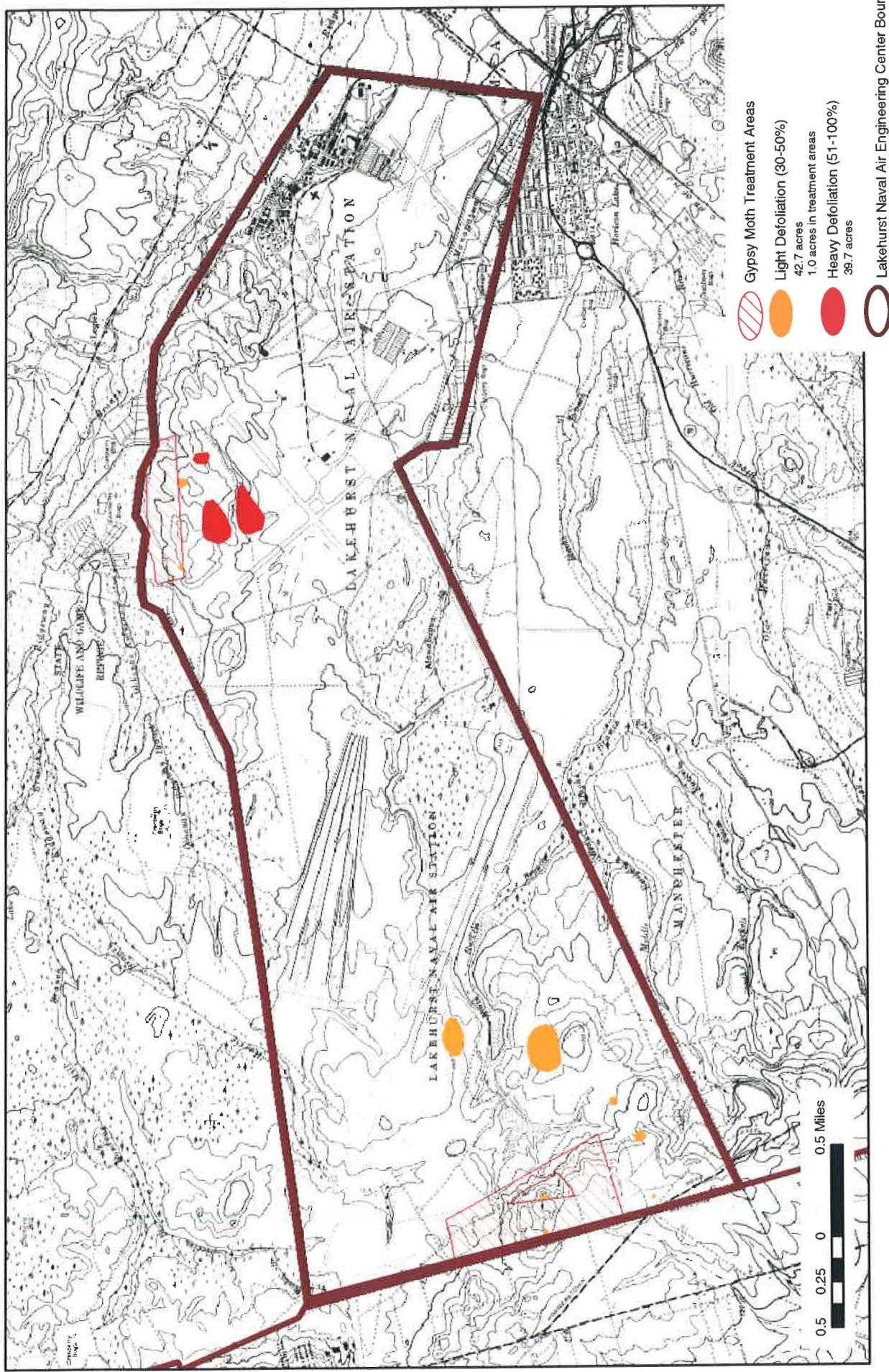


Figure 2-- Results of the aerial detection survey conducted at Fort Dix on June 15, 2006.

